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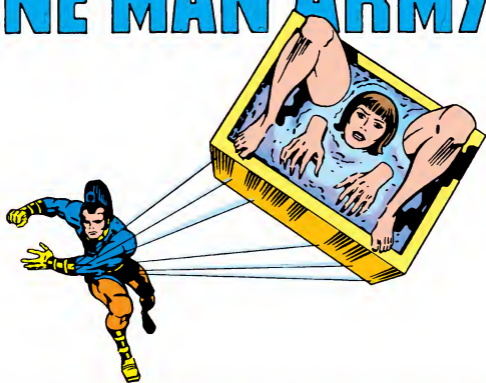
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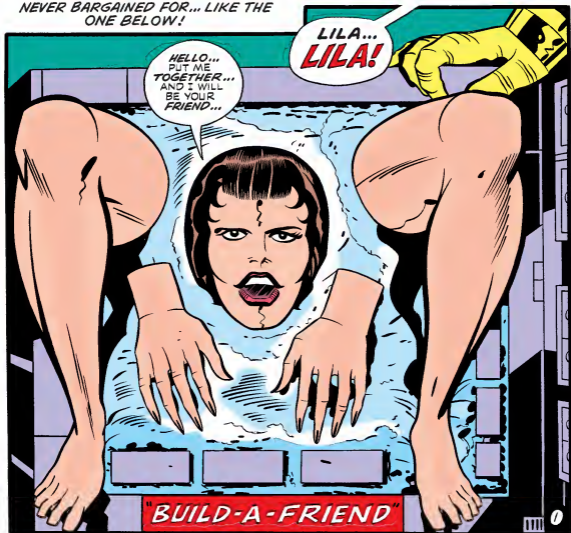


A STARTLING LOOK
INTO... **THE WORLD
THAT'S COMING!**

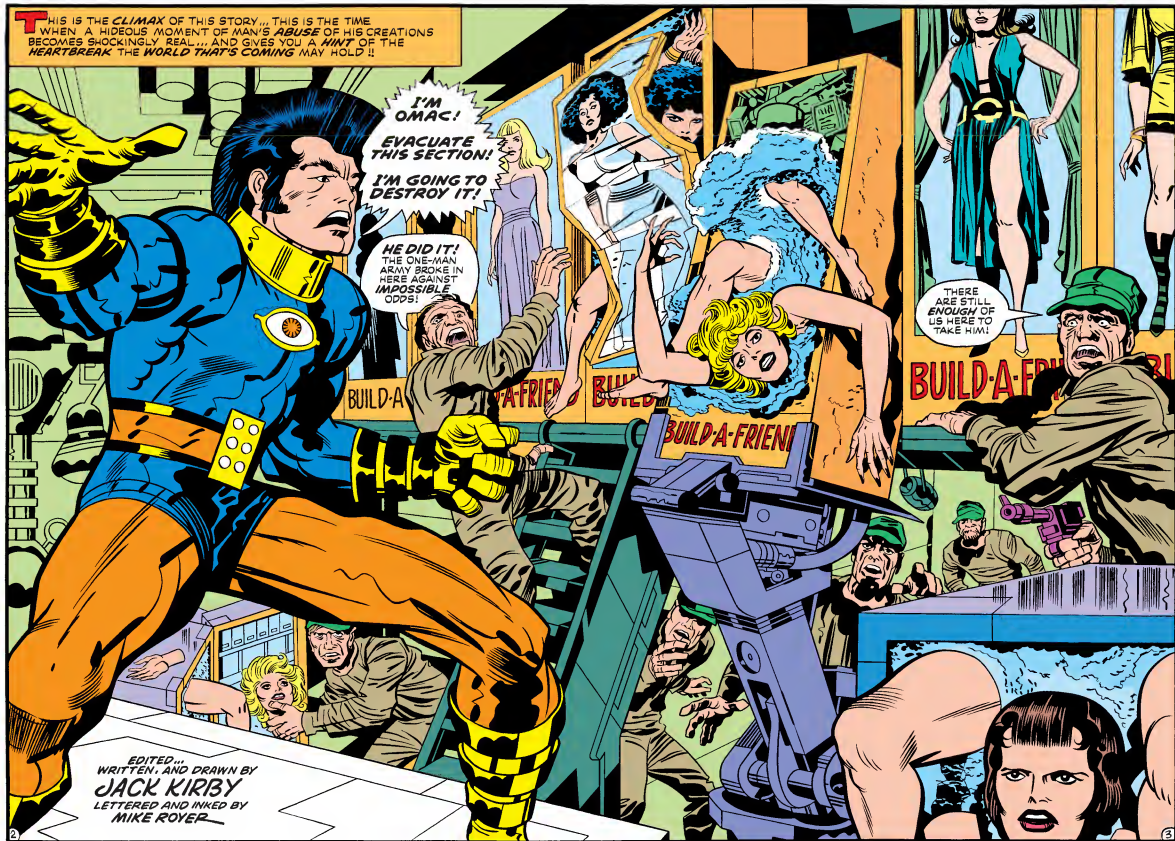
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ONE-MAN ARMY CORPS...

IS THE STORY OF A YOUNG MAN IN **THE WORLD THAT'S COMING!!** IN THAT STRANGE PLACE, THE COMMON OBJECTS OF TODAY... MAY BECOME THE TERRORS THAT WE NEVER BARGAINED FOR... LIKE THE ONE BELOW!



THIS IS THE CLIMAX OF THIS STORY... THIS IS THE TIME WHEN A HIDEOUS MOMENT OF MAN'S ABUSE OF HIS CREATIONS BECOMES SHOCKINGLY REAL... AND GIVES YOU A HINT OF THE HEARTBREAK THE WORLD THAT'S COMING MAY HOLD !!



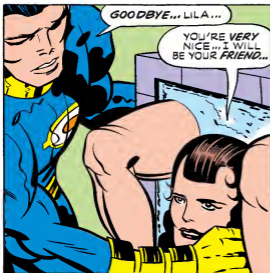
**I'M OMAC!
EVACUATE THIS SECTION!
I'M GOING TO DESTROY IT!**

**HE DID IT!
THE ONE-MAN
ARMY BROKE IN
HERE AGAINST
IMPOSSIBLE
ODDS!**

**THERE
ARE STILL
ENOUGH OF
US HERE TO
TAKE HIM!**

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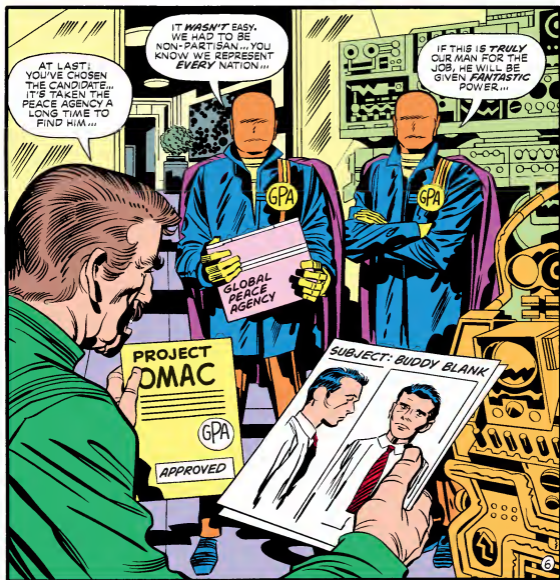


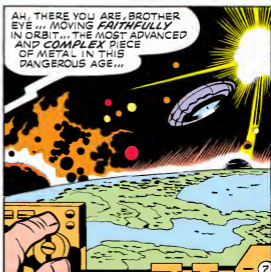


OMAC THE ONE-MAN ARMY...

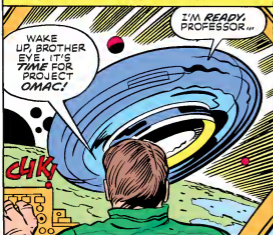
REALLY BEGINS HERE, IN A ONE-MAN OPERATION... A UNIT OF MANY SMALL SUBDIVISIONS GROWING OUT OF WHAT WAS ONCE CALLED NASA... THIS FACET OF THE WORLD THAT'S COMING REVEALS HOW TODAY'S SPACE SATELLITES MAY BECOME MORE THAN INSTRUMENTS...

BROTHER EYE AND BUDDY BLANK





THE SATELLITE KNOWN AS "BROTHER EYE" SWINGS CLOSER INTO VIEW... THEN PROFESSOR FOREST PRESSES A "CONTACT" SWITCH...



WAKE UP, BROTHER EYE. IT'S TIME FOR PROJECT OMAC!

I'M READY, PROFESSOR...

A GREAT STEEL IRIS OPENS, REVEALING A GIANT BLAZING EYE...



GOOD. THE CANDIDATE HAS BEEN FOUND. I'LL FEED ALL KNOWN FACTS ABOUT HIM... TO YOU...

HE AND I SHALL BECOME AS BROTHERS...



YOU SHALL ALWAYS HELP HIM... GIVE HIM THE POWER HE NEEDS.

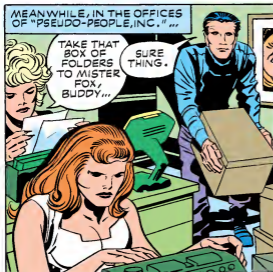
THIS IS WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE NOW... YOU SHALL CHANGE HIM INTO OMAC!

SUBJECT: BUDDY BLANK



BUDDY BLANK WORKS FOR "PSEUDO-PEOPLE, INC." THE PEACE AGENCY FINDS THEIR ACTIVITIES SUSPECT!

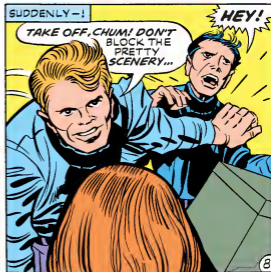
WHEN OMAC IS BORN, THE TRUTH SHALL BE KNOWN!



MEANWHILE, IN THE OFFICES OF "PSEUDO-PEOPLE, INC." ...

TAKE THAT BOX OF FOLDERS TO MISTER FOX, BUDDY...

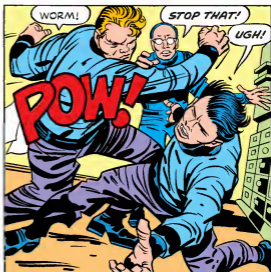
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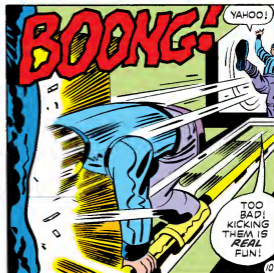


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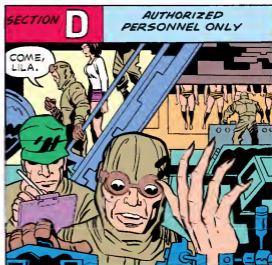
TAKE OFF, CHUM! DON'T BLOCK THE PRETTY SCENERY...

HEY!









THE SECRETS OF THE WORLD THAT'S COMING MAY BE TOO TERRIBLE TO SHARE... FOR ONE SO TROUBLED AS YOUNG BUDDY BLANK, THEY PROVE OVERWHELMING!!! BUDDY HAS DONE THE UNEXPECTED... HE HAS DARED TO COME TO SECTION "D"... AND A RENDEZVOUS WITH DESTINY--! THE...

BIRTH OF OMAK







YOU COULD SEND THOSE AUTOMATONS TO KILL **WORLD LEADERS!**... Y-YOU MIGHT START AN ATOMIC WAR...

I DON'T WORRY 'BOUT THINGS LIKE THAT!!!



I THINK OF **ALL** THAT MONEY CAN BUY! THAT'S WHY I BUILD AND SELL **FEMALE BOMBS!**... PSEUDO-PEOPLE... WITH NAMES LIKE NANCY, CAROL, AND **LILA...!**

...LILA!??... YOU MEAN SHE'S...



-LILA!...LILA!

UGH--! MY HAND--! ...IT'S BEEN BURNED!



TO HIS CAPTOR'S **ASTONISHMENT**, AN AREA OF SEARING ENERGY APPEARS ON BUDDY'S CHEST... AND WITHIN ITS CENTER... A BLAZING EYE...

LILA IS ONE OF THOSE DEADLY CREATURES!



AS BUDDY'S EMOTIONAL STRESS INCREASES, THE FIERY ENERGY ENGULFS HIM...

YOU-YOU INDESCRIBABLE FIEND!



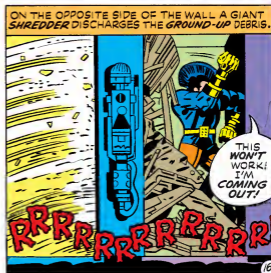
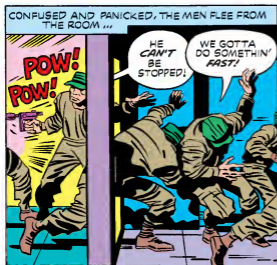
LOOK OUT! BLANK IS GROWING!... CHANGING!

B-BUT HOW?

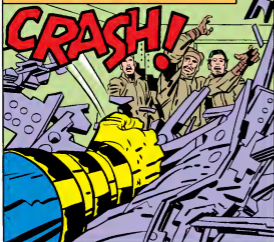


I'VE HEARD SOME TALK ABOUT IT!... **ELECTRONIC SURGERY!**... A COMPUTER HORMONE OPERATION... DONE BY **REMOTE CONTROL!!**

LOOK--! LOOK AT HIM NOW!



WITH A MIGHTY BLOW OF HIS FIST...
OMAC BREAKS DOWN THE STEEL DOOR...



THE RACKET LEADER PULLS DOWN A SWITCH,
BENEATH OMAC'S FEET, THE METAL FLOOR
OPENS... WIDE... WIDER...



I'M BEING *FED* STRENGTH
AND KNOWLEDGE BY SOME
UNKNOWN SOURCE. MY
JOB IS TO STOP YOUR
EVIL ACTIVITY!

STAND BY, MEN!
WE'VE GOT MORE
CARDS TO PLAY!



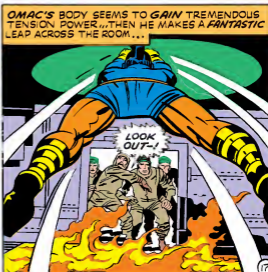
THE HEAT THAT SOFTENS THE MATERIALS USED
IN THE PRODUCTION OF MANIKINS SEEMS
READY TO CONSUME OMAC...

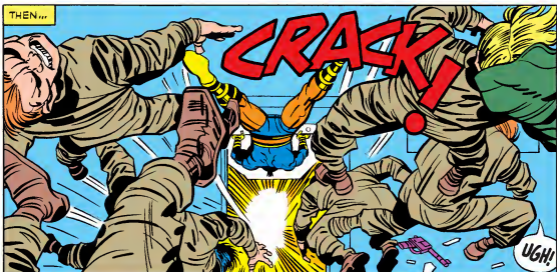


YOU'LL USE *NO*
MORE OF IT TO MOLD
DESTRUCTIVE "PSEUDO-
PEOPLE!"



OMAC'S BODY SEEMS TO *GAIN* TREMENDOUS
TENSION POWER... THEN HE MAKES A *FANTASTIC*
LEAP ACROSS THE ROOM...





SOMEWHERE, INSIDE **OMAC**, BUDDY BLANK HAS **NOT** YET **FADED** COMPLETELY... BEFORE HIM IS AN OPEN CASE. IT'S **SHOCKING** CONTENTS STARE AT HIM AS HE APPROACHES...



THE FAINT LAST VESTIGES OF BUDDY BLANK SEEM TO SCREAM. HIS MEMORIES RISE FOR ONE **TRAGIC** MOMENT IN **OMAC**...

HELLO. PUT ME TOGETHER... AND I'LL BE YOUR FRIEND...

...LILA...



THEY'LL **PAY** FOR THIS, LILA... THEY'VE DONE **MORE** THAN TRIFLE WITH HUMAN LIFE... THEY'VE MADE A **MOCKERY** OF THE SPIRIT...



IN A **TERRIBLE** FLASH OF INSIGHT, **OMAC** REALIZES WHY HE EXISTS... WHAT HIS MISSION IS... AND THAT HIS ENEMY IS **MAN'S OWN** CAPACITY FOR **SELF-DESTRUCTION**.



OMAC LIVES...SO THAT MAN MAY LIVE...

LATER, THE INCIDENT ENDS AS IT BEGAN... WITH THE **DESTRUCTION** OF SECTION "D"!

THERE'LL BE **NO** MORE VICTIMS CLAIMED BY THIS FOUL RACKET... THE PEACE AGENCY WILL ROUND UP THE **LITTLE RATS**.



BUT MY **NEXT** MOVE SHALL BE TO **NAB MISTER BIG!**

THEN, OMAC LOOKS UP INTO THE NIGHT SKY... AND LISTENS TO A VOICE...

VERY GOOD, OMAC. YOU'VE HEARD EVERYTHING I'VE TOLD YOU...

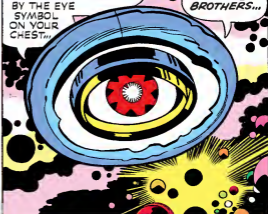
I'VE ALSO USED THE POWERS YOU GAVE ME WHEN I NEEDED THEM... BROTHER EYE...



HIGH IN ORBIT ABOVE THE EARTH, BROTHER EYE COMMUNICATES WITH OMAC...

I SHALL ALWAYS HELP YOU. WE ARE LINKED BY THE EYE SYMBOL ON YOUR CHEST...

WE ARE LIKE BROTHERS...



I TRANSMIT BEAMS... SOME OF THEM BRING YOU MY VOICE... OTHERS FEED YOU INSTANT INFORMATION.



A POWERFUL UNSEEN BEAM SUCH AS THIS CHANGED BUDDY BLANK AND BROUGHT YOU INTO BEING...



ON THIS ONE BEAM RIDES A COMPLETE ORIENTATION COURSE OF OMAC'S SITUATION. IT LIGHTS UP HIS ENVIRONMENT, BACKGROUND, AND WHERE TO START ON THE ROAD TO MISTER BIG...

I START HERE... IN 'ELECTRIC CITY'... WITH PROFESSOR MYRON FOREST...

THEN ON TO MISTER BIG!



NEXT-

WANT TO RENT A CITY-?
IN THE WORLD THAT'S COMING THE SUPER-RICH CAN DO IT... ESPECIALLY...

MISTER BIG!



THE
EMPIRE
OF
THE
DINOSAURS

EMPIRE